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Chronology of Major Developments in which CIA Participated

21 September 1951 Reber conferences following up DCI's promise to assist Coast Guard.

11 October 1951 The EIC Transportation Sub-Committee established a Working Party to review the adequacy of intelligence on merchant shipping activities. The Party consisted of representatives of Navy, Air Force, State, NSA, Commerce and CIA. (The scope of this review was expanded to cover

- A. Ship Movements
- B. Cargoes
- C. Sales and Charters
- D. Ship Construction and Repair)

17 December 1951 A draft paper prepared by the Working Party was reviewed by the TSC and referred back for finalization.

January 1952 The Coast Guard was informed verbally that progress was being made on the Study, and that it should be completed in the near future.

February 1952 Minor revisions held up approval of the paper until 6 March when it was approved by the TSC and forwarded to the EIC with a series of recommendations for improving the intelligence collection effort.

7 March 1952 Representatives of the Treasury and Coast Guard met with the AD/RE, [REDACTED] 25X1A9a  
The visitors stated that a joint report by the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of the Navy would be due at the White House on April 15 to outline progress made on the problem of US Port Security. They pointed out that if the report were to reflect assistance from CIA it would be necessary for CIA to indicate as soon as possible the positive steps to be taken in this respect. An early response setting forth the CIA position was promised.

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11 March 1952

AD/RR asked ONI to schedule meeting to discuss its function in providing intelligence to the Coast Guard. Meeting scheduled for 13 March.

13 March 1952

Admiral Stout cancelled meeting stating ONI would have to study the problem internally before discussing it further with CIA or Coast Guard.

15-25 March 1952

AD/RR repeatedly pressed ONI to get on with the business.

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28 March 1952

The AD/RR, and Messrs. Millikan and ~~XXXX~~ attended a meeting called by Captain Hylant of ONI to consider intelligence support required by Navy and Coast Guard to fulfill their joint responsibility with regard to Port Security. This meeting had been urged by the AD/RR in order to reassure the Coast Guard that effective coordination would take place. Major results of the meeting were a commitment by the Coast Guard to submit a memorandum detailing its requirements for operational intelligence, an agreement by the AD/RR to furnish the ONI with all intelligence hitherto passed to the Coast Guard, and an undertaking by ONI to examine its own available intelligence against the Coast Guard demands and to estimate the extent of additional intelligence effort that would be required to meet the maximum needs asserted by the Coast Guard. It appeared that ONI OP-338 which is now concerning itself with the problem had never been informed of promise allegedly made by the Secretary of the Navy to the Under Secretary of the Treasury to furnish Coast Guard with ship movement intelligence. Moreover, Coast Guard liaison officer to Navy had confined his activities to Operations and had made no requests of ONI.

1 April 1952

CIA/RR delivered copies of promised list of vessels to Captain Hylant and Commander Donald C. Deane, ONI.

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